

City of Devine

“The Name Says It All”

Mandatory Language for a Maximum Contaminant Level Violation MCL, RAA / ASBESTOS

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has notified the CITY OF DEVINE TX1630006 that the drinking water being supplied to customers had exceeded the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for asbestos. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has established the MCL for asbestos to be 7 MFL based on running annual average (RAA) at each sample location, and has determined that it is a health concern at levels above the MCL. Analysis of drinking water in your community for asbestos indicates a compliance value in first quarter 2017 of 9 MFL for ASB-02 and 8 MFL for ASB-03.

This is not an emergency. However, some people who drink water containing asbestos in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of developing benign intestinal polyps.

You do not need to use an alternate water supply. However, if you have health concerns, you may want to talk to your doctor to get more information about how this may affect you.

We are taking the following actions to address this issue: We are seeking funds that will help us replace the asbestos pipes that we have in place.

Please share this information with all people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact the City of Devine at (830)-663-2804.

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